

**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
TRANSMITTAL**

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First Inventor or Application Identifier

Joseph Ross McNeal

Title

PIVOTABLE STRAP-BUCKLE ASSEMBLY

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

**ADDRESS TO:**Box Patent Application  
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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Sheet (+ copy)  
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2. ☒ Applicant(s) Claim(s) Small Entity Status
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages] **15**  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive Title of the Invention
  - Cross References to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to Microfiche Appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets] **4**
5. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages] **1**
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
    - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b)
6. ☒ Application Data Sheet (37 C.F.R. 1.76)
7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
8. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer-Readable Form (CRF)
  - b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
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    - ii. ☐ paper
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. ☐ Certification Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)
10. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
11. ☒ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☒ Power of Attorney
12. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment Total Pages \_\_\_\_\_
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard
15. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☒ Copies of IDS Citations
16. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority is claimed)
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18. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-Part (CIP) of prior Application No.: \_\_\_\_\_ Filed \_\_\_\_\_

Prior application information: Examiner \_\_\_\_\_ Group / Art Unit \_\_\_\_\_

- ☐ **Incorporation By Reference** (useable if box 5b is checked)

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 5b, is considered to be part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

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# FEE TRANSMITTAL SHEET (FOR FY 2001)

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Filing Date	Concurrently Herewith
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Group Art Unit	Not Yet Assigned
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**FEE CALCULATION**

**1. BASIC FILING FEE**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
101	740	201	370	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Utility Filing Fee
106	330	206	165	<input type="checkbox"/> Design Filing Fee
108	740	208	370	<input type="checkbox"/> Reissue Filing Fee
114	160	214	80	<input type="checkbox"/> Provisional Filing Fee
<b>Subtotal (1)</b>				<b>\$ 370</b>

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Current Claims	Prior	Extra	Fee	Fee Paid
Total	21	- 20 = 1	x \$ 9 =	\$ 9
Ind.	5	- 3 = 2	x \$ 42 =	\$ 84
Multiple Dependent Claims				x \$ = \$
<b>Subtotal (2)</b>				<b>\$ 93</b>

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)	
103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20
102	84	202	42	Independent claims in excess of 3
104	280	204	140	Multiple dependent Claim
109	80	209	40	Reissue independent claims over original patent
110	18	210	9	Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

**FEE CALCULATION (Continued)**

**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee paid
Fee Code	Fee (\$)	Fee Code	Fee (\$)		
105	130	205	65	Surcharge - Late filing fee or oath	\$
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	\$
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	\$
147	2,520	147	2,520	For Filing a Request for Reexamination	\$
195	300	196	300	Publication (early or Republication)	\$
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	\$
116	400	216	200	Extension for reply within 2 <sup>nd</sup> month	\$
117	920	217	460	Extension for reply within 3 <sup>rd</sup> month	\$
118	1,440	218	720	Extension for reply within 4 <sup>th</sup> month	\$
128	1,960	280	980	Extension for reply within 5 <sup>th</sup> month	\$
120	320	220	160	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	\$
121	280	270	140	Request for oral hearing	\$
148	110	248	55	Terminal Disclaimer Fee	\$
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	\$
141	1,280	241	640	Petition to revive - unintentional	\$
142	1,280	242	640	Utility/Reissue issue fee (+ advance copies)	\$
143	460	243	230	Design issue fee (+ advance copies)	\$
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	\$
123	50	123	50	Petitions related to provisional applications	\$
126	180	126	180	Submission of IDS	\$
581	40	81	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	\$ 40
179	740	279	370	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	\$

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PTO/SB/05 Utility Patent Application Transmittal  
Application Data Sheet  
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General Authorization  
Specification, Claims, Abstract (15 pages)  
4 Sheets of Drawings (Figures 1-8B)  
Declaration  
Election and Power of Attorney  
Form PTO-1595  
Assignment  
Information Disclosure Statement  
Form PTO-1449  
Cited References (22)

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GENERAL AUTHORIZATION

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With respect to the above-identified application, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required and to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for its timely submission as incorporating a petition therefor for the appropriate length of time and to charge any fees which may be required during the course of prosecution, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-1266.

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